



COBAR SHIRE COUNCIL

ORDINARY MEETING AGENDA

THURSDAY, 25 JULY 2024

~ ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF COUNTRY~

I wish to acknowledge the Wangaaypuwan (Wangaibon) people of the Ngiyampaa Nation, the traditional custodians of the land of which we gather today.

I wish to acknowledge their continued connection to the land, water and culture and I pay my respects to elder's past, present and emerging.

~ ORDER OF BUSINESS ~

Business for the meeting will be as follows: Message from the Chair:

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1. Apologies
 - Councillor Julie Payne
 2. Declaration of Interests
 3. Condolences
 - Nil
 4. Public Access Forum
 5. Confirmation of Minutes
 - Ordinary Meeting of Council – Thursday, 27th June 2024
 6. Matters Arising from Minutes
 7. Notice of Motions
 - Nil
 8. Mayoral Report
 9. General Manager's Report – Action/Recommendation
 10. General Manager's Report – Confidential
 - Nil
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 12. Correspondence
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~ COUNCIL'S VISION ~

Our Vision is for Cobar Shire to be an attractive, healthy and caring environment in which to live, work and play, achieved in partnership with the community through initiative, foresight and leadership.

~ COUNCIL'S MISSION ~

Our Mission is to provide sound and sensible government and ensure that works and services are delivered effectively and equitably to the community of Cobar Shire.

Council will also develop and constantly review its policy on the maintenance of its road network with current priorities to include the sealing of the following strategic roads within the Shire;

- Ivanhoe Road
 - Louth Road
 - Tilpa Road
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~ COUNCIL'S VALUES ~

Council has adopted the following Values that should be reflected in how the whole organisation operates and interacts with others:

| | Accountability | Communication | Effective Leadership | Integrity | Team Work |
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| We Value | We are responsible for our actions, our behaviour and the satisfactory completion of allocated tasks | We communicate openly and respectfully, sharing timely and appropriate information with others | We lead by positive example, embodying all of Council's agreed Values | We are consistently honest, transparent, ethical and fair, regardless of the situation | We work collaboratively to achieve shared goals for Council and the community |
| My Behaviours | I actively participate in the organisation | I consider how I say it, why I say it, when I say it and where I say it | I act with courage, challenge the status quo and seek out ways to improve our organisation | I do and say the right thing, even when no one is watching | I share my knowledge, skills and experience with others |
| | I take full ownership of my role, including my mistakes, and learn from my actions | I listen actively and ask questions to gain a shared understanding | I support and encourage others to learn, develop and grow | I take personal responsibility for my own actions and behaviour | I support others to achieve goals and celebrate success |
| | I inspire excellence by performing my role with pride | I show empathy and consider things from others' point of view | I am approachable and treat others consistently and respectfully | I uphold strong moral principles and do what I say I am going to do | I consciously choose to work positively with others |
| | I acknowledge my actions and behaviour can impact and influence outcomes | I provide and receive timely, constructive feedback | I inspire and expect everyone to always do their best | I am professional, treating others just as I expect to be treated | I commit to working together to find solutions |

~ COUNCIL'S CHARTER ~

A Council has the following charter (Section 8, *Local Government Act 1993*):

- To provide directly or on behalf of other levels of government, after due consultation, adequate, equitable and appropriate services and facilities for the community and to ensure that those services and facilities are managed efficiently and effectively.
- To exercise community leadership.
- To exercise its functions in a manner that is consistent with and actively promotes the principles of cultural diversity.
- To promote and to provide and plan for the needs of children.
- To properly manage, develop, protect, restore, enhance and conserve the environment of the area for which it is responsible, in a manner that is consistent with and promotes the principles of ecologically sustainable development.
- To have regard to the long term and cumulative effects of its decisions.
- To bear in mind that it is the custodian and trustee of public assets and to effectively account for and manage the assets for which it is responsible.
- To facilitate the involvement of Councillors, members of the public, users of facilities and services and council staff in the development, improvement and coordination of local government.
- To raise funds for local purposes by the fair imposition of rates, charges and fees, by income earned from investments and, when appropriate, by borrowings and grants.
- To keep the local community and the State government (and through it, the wider community) informed about its activities.
- To ensure that, in the exercise of its regulatory functions, it acts consistently and without bias, particularly where an activity of the council is affected.
- To be a responsible employer.

CLAUSE 1– MONTHLY STATUS REPORT

FILE: C13-10

ATTACHMENT: NO

AUTHOR: *General Manager, Peter Vlatko*

| COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 25 SEPTEMBER 2014 | | | | | |
|--|--|--------------------------|------------------|---|---|
| NUMBER | ITEM | RESOLUTION NUMBER | ACTION BY | ACTION REQUIRED | OUTCOME |
| 627 | Council – Clause 10A – Adoption of Management Plan for Lot 18 DP213415 | 188.9.2014 | GM | <p>That Council authorise the General Manager to negotiate a lease or licence for an appropriate term and conditions with the Cobar Bowling and Golf Club Ltd.</p> <p>That Council authorise the Mayor and General Manager to sign any lease or licence under the Common Seal of Council.</p> | <p>December 2017 target was not met. Timeframe to be reviewed. Staff working on this subject to resources available. Discussions commenced with Club Board to resolve the issue; however, the matter is on hold until resources are available.</p> <p>Staff has been allocated to prepare information to negotiate appropriate terms & complete lease or licence with Cobar Bowling & Golf Club. New Meeting to be arranged with the Club Board to discuss lease terms. Meeting held with the General Manager of Cobar Bowling & Golf Club and discussed licence, meeting to be held with Golf Club Board in the new year. Matter on hold at the moment due to resourcing. Matter raised with the new Manager and appointment to be booked for further discussions.</p> <p>Meeting Scheduled 08/03/23- not attended new meeting request sent. - no reply following up</p> <p>No response regarding new meeting time</p> |

COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 22 MARCH 2018

| NUMBER | ITEM | RESOLUTION NUMBER | ACTION BY | ACTION REQUIRED | OUTCOME |
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| 1142 | Council Meeting – Notice of Motion – Installation of an Independent Pedestrian Crossing | 47.3.2018 | GM | That Council write to John Holland Rail, being the entity that maintains the RailCorp assets for Rural NSW, to increase the width to accommodate two vehicles crossing at same time on the level crossing on Bourke Road between Railway Parade South and Railway Parade North and install an independent pedestrian crossing. | <p>General Manager has raised with the new Minister the urgency of the work & confirmed that they are designing the work.</p> <p>Correspondence again forwarded to the Regional Director seeking confirmation of project timeframe.</p> <p>The recent meeting with Minister Aitchison confirmed that the project is still being designed and funding being considered.</p> <p>The General Manager contacted the department to request an update on the funding and progress – to be advised.</p> <p>The Mayor and General Manager raised this matter with the recent meeting with the Minister (July 2024) and again confirmed that it is being designed for funding.</p> |

COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 27 April 2023

| NUMBER | ITEM | RESOLUTION NUMBER | ACTION BY | ACTION REQUIRED | OUTCOME |
|---------------|--|--------------------------|------------------|--|---|
| 1468 | Council Meeting- Clause 1- Notice of motion housing and investment portfolio | 49.04.2023 | GM | <p>1. That Cobar Shire Council (CSC) established a dedicated housing and investment portfolio. The primary purpose of this portfolio is to grow and enhance CSC’s current housing stock and grow CSC’s housing infrastructure with a view to both bettering CSC’s housing stock by selling / upgrading over time, and also having new housing stock available to meet the growing demands in both the CSC business, other areas whereby the shire and its ratepayers may benefit from CSC providing housing. E.g.: medical, childcare etc and also investment housing to provide the income required to fund growth of the portfolio.</p> <p>2. That Cobar Shire Councillors and staff workshop how the portfolio be funded (both initially and ongoing) as part of the normal budgeting process.</p> <p>3. That all current Cobar Shire Council owned housing stock and property assets which do not have existing zoning covenants or other overriding restrictions immediately become part of this portfolio.</p> <p>4. That the housing and investment portfolio be primarily managed / maintained by the commercial manager as part of that role, with monthly reports to council provided.</p> | <p>Housing portfolio provided to Councillors; a more inclusive portfolio currently being prepared by staff.</p> <p>Position of asset manager now filled full report to be prepared for Council.</p> <p>Currently being prepared to be provided at the next workshop</p> <p>Report to Council at the March Ordinary Meeting.</p> <p>Portfolio workshopped with Councillors in Feb 2024.</p> <p>Portfolio reported in March 2024</p> <p>Complete – Portfolio to be considered further as development and funding opportunities arise.</p> |

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| <p>1469</p> | <p>Council Meeting – Notice of Motion – Fringe Benefits Tax (FBT) Including Living Away From Home Allowance Exempted for Remote Mining Community such as Cobar</p> <p>Council Meeting- Clause 2- Notice of motion FBT Change</p> | <p>63.4.2019</p> <p>50.04.2023</p> | <p>GM</p> | <p>That Cobar Shire Council lobby both the Federal Government and the Association of Mining Related Councils to have Fringe Benefits Tax (FBT) including Living Away from Home Allowance exempted for remote mining communities such as Cobar.</p> <p>That Council have discussions about a percentage of miners and those who are working on specific projects who should legally be required to live in town, to be held with the State Government.</p> <p>That further to the already passed motion 63.4.2019 - That Cobar Shire Council lobby the federal government (primarily through the mining and energy related council - MERC) for a change in fringe benefits tax rules and concessions regarding credits for FIFO and DIDO workers.</p> | <p>Submission being prepared and discussions held with local mines.</p> <p>Council has engaged an Accountant to provide details of the Tax matters.</p> <p>Status 1277 has now been combined into 1469. (1277 removed)</p> <p>Meeting held with Mayor & discussion ongoing with Accountant.</p> <p>No further action to date.</p> <p>Mayor and General Manager are organising a meeting with the relevant Minister.</p> |
| <p>1470</p> | <p>Council Meeting- Clause 3- Notice of motion Trades Roles</p> | <p>51.04.2023</p> | <p>GM</p> | <p>That Cobar Shire Council senior staff reviews its Organisational chart in relation to trades positions and reports its findings to council within 3 months, with a view to the possibility of combining roles in order to be more competitive in the open market to fill roles without impacting the bottom line of labour costs.</p> | <p>Report being prepared for the July meeting.</p> <p>Delayed due to cancelled workshop.</p> <p>Due to the current review of Councils workshop and stores functions this matter will be undertaken in October 2024.</p> |

COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 14 DECEMBER 2023

| NUMBER | ITEM | RESOLUTION NUMBER | ACTION BY | ACTION REQUIRED | OUTCOME |
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| 173 | Council Meeting – Clause 2 Local Traffic Committee | 223.12.2023 | GM | That Council consider the following recommendation from the Local Traffic Committee: - Council to explore funding options to complete a study and analysis on truck parking within Cobar town streets. | This matter is placed on hold due to the current pressure on resources . |

COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 27 June 2024

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| 1484 | Clause 2- Determination of Fees Paid to Mayor and Councillors | 71.06.2024 | DFCS | That Councillors fees are set at \$13,520 per annum paid monthly in arrears for the twelve months commencing 1 July 2024. 2. That the Mayor’s fee is set at \$29,500 per annum, paid monthly in arrears for the twelve months commencing 1 July 2024. | Completed | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1485 | Clause 7- Restricted Cash Reserves | 76.06.2024 | DFCS | That Council allocate the below restricted cash reserves received from developers for specific purposes constrained under legislation for previous works completed in this and past financials years. <table border="1" data-bbox="981 1109 2038 1439"> <thead> <tr> <th>Contribution Plan</th> <th>Council Co-Contributed Project</th> <th>\$</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>S94 Community Facilities</td> <td>Ward Oval Regional Growth Fund (Ward Oval Project)</td> <td>10,291</td> </tr> <tr> <td>S94 Community Facilities</td> <td>Cobar Youth and Community Centre Light Upgrade</td> <td>1,548</td> </tr> <tr> <td>S94 Open Space</td> <td>Cobar Youth and Community Centre Light Upgrade</td> <td>10,952</td> </tr> <tr> <td>S64 Water and Sewer</td> <td>Regional Leak Reduction Program Round 2</td> <td>14,186</td> </tr> <tr> <td>S64 Water and Sewer</td> <td>Growing Regions Program Rd 1 - Stage 1 (Sewer Treatment Upgrade)</td> <td>97,583</td> </tr> <tr> <td>S94 Cobar Local Infrastructure Plan 2012</td> <td>Ward Oval Regional Growth Fund (Ward Oval Project)</td> <td>416,70</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> | Contribution Plan | Council Co-Contributed Project | \$ | S94 Community Facilities | Ward Oval Regional Growth Fund (Ward Oval Project) | 10,291 | S94 Community Facilities | Cobar Youth and Community Centre Light Upgrade | 1,548 | S94 Open Space | Cobar Youth and Community Centre Light Upgrade | 10,952 | S64 Water and Sewer | Regional Leak Reduction Program Round 2 | 14,186 | S64 Water and Sewer | Growing Regions Program Rd 1 - Stage 1 (Sewer Treatment Upgrade) | 97,583 | S94 Cobar Local Infrastructure Plan 2012 | Ward Oval Regional Growth Fund (Ward Oval Project) | 416,70 | Completed |
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| | | | | S94 Cobar Local Infrastructure Plan 2012 | Ward Oval Building Better Regions Fund (Ward Oval Project) | 427,000 |
| | | | | S94 Cobar Local Infrastructure Plan 2012 | Regional Tourism Activation Fund (Museum Project) | 708,801 |
| | | | | S94 Cobar Local Infrastructure Plan 2012 | Grand Hotel and Hospital Land | 994,625 |
| | | | | S64 Development Servicing Plans for Water Supply & Sewerage Services 2013 | Regional Leak Reduction Program Round 2 | 83,119 |
| | | | | S64 Development Servicing Plans for Water Supply & Sewerage Services 2013 | Growing Regions Program Rd 1 - Stage 1 (Sewer Treatment Upgrade) | 105,922 |
| | | | | Total | | 2,870,376 |

| NUMBER | ITEM | RESOLUTION NUMBER | ACTION BY | ACTION REQUIRED | OUTCOME |
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| 1486 | Council Meeting – Clause 1C Dry and Wet Hire Plant and Equipment (T3-24-06) | 90.06.2024 | DES | <p>That Council:</p> <p>A. Resolve to accept the panel of suppliers for Dry and Wet Hire Plant and Equipment as recommended by the evaluation panel and listed below, noting that the companies are listed in alphabetical order, not in order of preference:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A McLaughlin and G McLaughlin 2. A1 Tree Service 3. Advance Sweepers 4. A-Plant Equipment 5. As Per Plan Construction 6. Brooks Hire Service Pty Ltd 7. Broughton Contracting Pty Ltd 8. Brycon Civil Pty Ltd 9. Coates Hire Operations 10. Conlan Contracting Pty Ltd 11. Conplant Pty Ltd 12. Crushrite Crushing and Haulage 13. Darnel Pastoral Company 14. Deppeler Earthmoving Pty Ltd 15. DLM PLant Hire Pty Ltd | Completed |

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| | | | | <p>16.Dubbo Traffic Control Pty Ltd 17.Ezyquip Hire Pty Ltd 18.Hill Earthmoving and Bulk Haulage Pty Ltd 19.HMS Ag Company 20.I J Chase Grader Contracting 21.JM Nicholson and MJ Nicholson 22.JN Harbison Earthmoving and Electrical 23.JNJ Contracting Pty Ltd 24.Kallara Partners 25.Neill Earthmoving Pty Ltd 26.Premiair Services Pty Ltd 27.R Bruces Contracting Services Pty Ltd 28.Road Care Australia Pty Ltd 29.Road Verge Trimming RVT Pty Ltd 30.Rollers Australia Pty Ltd 31.Rosmech Sales and Service Pty Ltd 32.Smith Plant 33.Spicer Earthmoving Services Pty Ltd 34.Stabilfix Pty Ltd 35.The Stabilising Pty Ltd 36.The Trustee for Earth Moving Trust 37.The Trustee for M and V Cavalot Family Trust 38.Tolbra Earthmovers and Haulage Pty Ltd 39.Tutt Bryant Hire Pty Ltd 40.Wayne Cohen 41.WesTrac Pty Ltd 42.Wideland Equipment Hire B. Authorise the General Manager to enter into contracts with the companies recommended for the panel for Dry and Wet Hire Plant and Equipment.</p> | |
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| | | | | C. Note the information contained within this report remains confidential within the Committee of the Whole Closed Council. | |
| 1487 | Clause 3C- The Great Cobar Museum- Coach House and Mining Experience T3-24-04 | 92.06.2024 | GM | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Resolve in accordance with Clause 178 1(b) of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2021, to decline to accept any of the submissions received. 2. Resolve in accordance with Clause 178 3(e) of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2021 to enter into negotiations with any person (whether or not the person was a tenderer). 3. Delegate the General Manager to undertake negotiations and enter into a contract for the Great Cobar Museum – Coach House and Mining Experience and that Council receive a report following negotiations before any decision is made. 4. Note the information contained within this report remains confidential within the Committee of the Whole Closed Council. | Completed |

RECOMMENDATION That the information contained in the monthly status report be received and noted, with the following items to be removed: 1484,1485,1486 & 1487.

CLAUSE 2 – REVOTES AND CARRY FORWARD BUDGET ITEMS**FILE: L5-22****AOP REFERENCE: 3.1****ATTACHMENT: NO****AUTHOR: *Finance Manager, Sandra Davey*****Purpose**

To include items from the 2023-2024 budget which have not yet commenced, or are in-progress, in the forecast for the current budget year 2024-2025.

Background

Division 5, Clause 211 of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2020, Authorisation of Expenditure, states that all prior approvals of a budget lapse at the end of the financial year except for any work, service, goods or materials, or facilities, that has or have been started or provided or contracted to be carried out or provided for the Council before the end of the year concerned.

Therefore, budgeted expenditure can be carried forward automatically to the next financial year where there are unspent budget amounts, or the expenditure was started or contracted prior to the end of the financial year. All other items require a revote.

A schedule below which shows:

1. Capital items which were included in the 2023-2024 budget which whilst in-progress, were not completed at year end. These already have a budget vote and are included for noting.
2. Capital items which were included in the 2023-2024 budget which have not commenced. These will require a new budget vote. Cash will be restricted to provide for these.

There are several small projects that have been eliminated that were not started this year. They require a rescope and will be reintroduced at the appropriate time.

Cobar Shire Council

Indicative list of items to be carried forward

| Account | 2024/2025 In Progress (receive and note) | 2024/2025 Not Commenced (indicative carry forward) |
|--|---|--|
| | 40,121,153 | 60,000 |
| Capital - General Fund | | |
| Plant purchases | 1,328,270 | 0 |
| Childrens Services Building Improvements | 401,459 | 0 |
| Administration Building Capital | 581,865 | 0 |
| IT Projects | 146,122 | 0 |
| ERP Software Replacement | 236,496 | 0 |
| LBV - Nursing Home & Hostel upgrade | 163,236 | 0 |
| Early Learning Centre Fitout | 178,599 | 0 |
| Purchase of Property | 239,587 | 0 |
| Swimming Pool Chlorine Room | 243,100 | 0 |
| CCTV installation within the Cobar township | 51,665 | 0 |
| Cobar Cemetery Improvements | 32,734 | 0 |
| Total Capital - General Fund | 3,603,133 | 0 |
| Capital - Transport | | |
| Shire Wide Culverts | 238,873 | 0 |
| Lachlan Valley Way Culverts | 682,290 | 0 |
| Total Capital - Transport | 921,163 | 0 |
| Capital - Grant Funded | | |
| Activating our CBD Business Case and Master plan | 25,849 | 0 |
| Lilliane Brady Village Upgrades LRCI Phase 4 | 885,211 | 0 |
| Town Enhancement Program (LRCI Phase 4) | 199,660 | 0 |
| Footpath reinstatement Marshall St (LRCI Phase 4) | 349,459 | 0 |
| Early Intervention R4R 8 (120k) and R4R9 015.7 | 41,221 | 0 |
| Museum Stage 2 (R4R 8) | 1,278,432 | 0 |
| Museum Stage 3 RTA (Council Cont \$708801) | 2,238,080 | 0 |
| R4R9 - 015.6 Cobar Airport Masterplan | 29,294 | 0 |
| R4R9 - 015.8 Cobar Museum Phase II & III Redevelopment | 303,902 | 0 |
| Bore Replacement Program (LRCI Phase 4) | 128,499 | 0 |
| Total Capital - Grant Funded | 5,479,606 | 0 |
| Capital - Transport Grant Funded | | |
| R4R9 - 015.5 - Footpath Connector and DDA Project | 1,004,798 | 0 |
| R4R-9 015.3 Booberoi Road Bridge Replacement | 2,656,826 | 0 |
| R4R-9 015.4 Round Hill Road Bridge Replacement | 2,656,336 | 0 |
| MR416 - The Wool Track - Seal Extension RNSW2716 | 7,059,065 | 0 |
| Grant Funding SR20 Grain Road Seal Extension (FLR) | 2,165,661 | 0 |

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| SR26 Wilga Downs Rd - Fixing Local Roads | 0 | 0 |
| Cobar Industrial Estate Road and Storm Water Upgrade | 3,594,893 | 0 |
| Regional and Local Road Repair Program | 5,285,517 | 0 |
| Total Capital - Transport Grant Funded | 24,423,095 | 0 |
| Capital - Water Fund | | |
| Water Sundry Renewals & Upgrade | 629,216 | 0 |
| Total Capital - Water Fund | 629,216 | 0 |
| Capital - Water Fund Grant Funded | | |
| R4R-9 015.1 Louth Road Reservoir Asset Renewal | 3,801,383 | 0 |
| R4R9 - 015.2 - Euabalong Pump Station | 867,194 | 0 |
| Total Capital - Water Fund Grant Funded | 4,668,576 | 0 |
| Capital - Waste Fund | | |
| Environmental Upgrades | 0 | 60,000 |
| Total Capital - Waste Fund | 0 | 60,000 |
| Capital - Sewer Fund | | |
| Telemetry System | 86,149 | 0 |
| Embankment Repair | 45,806 | 0 |
| Sewer Man Hole Renewals | 87,901 | 0 |
| Renew Aerators | 15,122 | 0 |
| Treatment Plant Switchboard | 70,673 | 0 |
| Generator Backup | 40,813 | 0 |
| Sanitary upgrade - all sites | 10,000 | 0 |
| Blockage/overflow response package | 39,900 | 0 |
| Total Capital - Sewer Fund | 396,364 | 0 |

Financial Implications

The adopted budget will be adjusted by the items detailed in the attached schedule once the 2023-2024 accounts are finalised.

RECOMMENDATION

- 1. That Council note the items in progress in the below schedule.**
- 2. That the items not commenced in the below schedule be carried forward into 2023-2024 financial year.**

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| Cobar Industrial Estate Road and Storm Water Upgrade | 3,594,893 | 0 |
| Regional and Local Road Repair Program | 5,285,517 | 0 |
| Total Capital - Transport Grant Funded | 24,423,095 | 0 |
| Capital - Water Fund | | |
| Water Sundry Renewals & Upgrade | 629,216 | 0 |
| Total Capital - Water Fund | 629,216 | 0 |
| Capital - Water Fund Grant Funded | | |
| R4R-9 015.1 Louth Road Reservoir Asset Renewal | 3,801,383 | 0 |
| R4R9 - 015.2 - Euabalong Pump Station | 867,194 | 0 |
| Total Capital - Water Fund Grant Funded | 4,668,576 | 0 |
| Capital - Waste Fund | | |
| Environmental Upgrades | 0 | 60,000 |
| Total Capital - Waste Fund | 0 | 60,000 |
| Capital - Sewer Fund | | |
| Telemetry System | 86,149 | 0 |
| Embankment Repair | 45,806 | 0 |
| Sewer Man Hole Renewals | 87,901 | 0 |
| Renew Aerators | 15,122 | 0 |
| Treatment Plant Switchboard | 70,673 | 0 |
| Generator Backup | 40,813 | 0 |
| Sanitary upgrade - all sites | 10,000 | 0 |
| Blockage/overflow response package | 39,900 | 0 |
| Total Capital - Sewer Fund | 396,364 | 0 |

CLAUSE 3 - RATE ABANDONMENTS 2023/2024

FILE: R2-1

AOP REFERENCE:3.1.1.2

ATTACHMENT: NO

AUTHOR: *Customer Service Manager, Jo Louise Brown*

Purpose

To inform Council regarding the various rates and charges that were required to be abandoned in 2023/2024.

Background

Various rates and charges which have been levied during 2023/2024 are required to be abandoned due to amalgamated assessments, sale of land, pensioner rebates and other changes.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council write-off rates and charges totalling \$133,696.76 for 2023/2024 as follows subject to Auditors approval.

| | |
|------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Pension Rebates | 105,386.60 |
| Amalgamations | 2,805.79 |
| Hidden Leaks Allowance | 12,385.80 |
| Objections/Re-ascertainment | 6,221.62 |
| Non-Ratable | 4,275.23 |
| Category/Service Changes | <u>2,621.72</u> |
| | <u>\$133,696.76</u> |

CLAUSE 4 – SUBMISSION LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY SELECT COMMITTEE ON ESSENTIAL WORKER HOUSING

FILE: 2319, P2-2

AOP REFERENCE 1.1.1.4 ATTACHMENT: (PAGE 53)

AUTHOR: *Kylie Smith, Director Corporate and Community Services*

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to provide Councils position for consideration by the Legislative Assembly Select Committee on Essential Worker Housing.

Background

The Legislative Assembly Select Committee on Essential Worker Housing was established to inquire into and report on options for essential worker housing in New South Wales.

The Committee's inquiry will focus on establishing an appropriate definition of essential worker housing for the NSW Government to adopt, as well as identifying options to increase housing supply for essential workers.

The terms of reference are outlined below:

(1) That the Committee inquire into and report on options for essential worker housing in New South Wales, specifically:

(a) Establishing an appropriate definition for essential worker housing for the NSW Government to adopt including criteria for prioritising worker cohorts and geographical areas.

(b) Identify options to increase housing supply for essential workers, including but not limited to:

(i) planning tools and reforms

(ii) incentives for developments on privately owned land

(iii) opportunities within developments on government owned land

(iv) investigate reforms that promote fiscal sustainability, innovation and essential worker housing in-perpetuity

(v) other related matters.

The Committee will table a report on its findings by 7 March 2025.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council support the following submission:

Cobar Shire Council would like to see NSW Government include a whole of community definition of essential workers, including NSW State Government employees, Council employees and private sector providers of essential services and that;

- 1. All targeted incentives should be available under the wider definition of essential worker used in the pandemic and recognise the importance of services such as Aged Care, Health, Water/Sewer, Food Services, Pharmacy, Farming and Mining. Priority funding should be given to areas where the housing market is particularly thin, and development does not attract private investment and**
- 2. Consideration should be given by the State on how to best manage housing in rural and regional areas with the opportunity to amalgamate state housing management under one agency to ensure the best outcomes for occupancy and response to need.**

CLAUSE 5 – GENERAL MANAGERS OPERATIONAL REPORT

FILE: C6-20-2

AOP REFERENCE: 4.3.2

ATTACHMENT: NO

AUTHOR: *General Manager, Peter Vlatko*

Purpose

To provide Council with an update on strategic operational matters.

Discussion

Ward Oval Project

Both the new pavilion and the early learning center from a contract point of view will be finalised this month (July). An official opening will be considered with both the Federal and State Government representatives as soon as they are available.

Museum Project

Following Council discussions to not accept any of the tenders the project is on hold until the State Government provides Council with approval to extend the project timeline.

Caretaker Period

In accordance with the requirements the caretaker period for Council will be from the 16th August 2024 to 14th September 2024, this will mean that the Council will not be able to make any significant decisions in this period.

From the 14th September 2024 until the new Council is declared Council will not have any elected members during this period.

RECOMMENDATION

That the General Managers Operational Report be received and noted.

CLAUSE 6–FOURTH QUARTERLY REVIEW OF THE ANNUAL OPERATIONAL PLAN 2023/2024 (Q4)

FILE: L5-22 AOP REFERENCE: 3.1 ATTACHMENT: YES (PAGE 54-110)

AUTHOR: *General Manager, Peter Vlatko*

Purpose

To provide Council with a detailed review of all actions outlined in the Annual Operational Plan 2023/2024 for the fourth quarter (ie April to June 2024).

Background

At the June 2023 Ordinary Council Meeting, Council adopted the 2023/2024 Annual Operational Plan (AOP) and Budget. Council is obligated to review the AOP and Budget each quarter, under the NSW Integrated Planning and Reporting legislation and guidelines. It should be remembered that this review is only for the period April to June 2024 and does not cover actions or activities that have occurred since then. However, the attachment to this report aims to highlight major issues that may arise.

Issues

Each responsible officer has provided the attached review of their operations. All actions outlined in the AOP have been addressed and statistics are provided where appropriate.

Legal Situation

Council must review the AOP six monthly and the budget quarterly as per the NSW Integrated Planning and Reporting guidelines. Council chooses to review the AOP in line with the budget.

Policy Implications

The report outlines what has been achieved to date, what has not been achieved and why, and highlights any concerns regarding the actions in the AOP. Councillors are encouraged to read through the report to get an understanding of where each of the actions has progressed to and to understand any possible issues that may need addressing in future quarters.

Financial Implications

Any financial implications are outlined in the budget review processes.

Risk Implication

Any risks to achieving outcomes are listed in the report attachment.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives and notes quarterly review of the 2023/2024 Annual Operational Plan, covering the period April to June 2024.

CLAUSE 7– GRANT FUNDING

FILE: G4-17

AOP REFERENCE: 3.1.1.3

ATTACHMENT: NO

AUTHOR: *Grants Officer, Bethany Smith*

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this report is to provide an update on the status of grants applied for, grants announced and grants available.

BACKGROUND:

For Councils information, the tables attached provides details of:

- Grant applications submitted – pending an outcome.
- Successful grant applications in 2023/2024 financial year
- Successful grant applications in 2022/2023 financial year
- Unsuccessful grant applications in 2023/2024 financial year

RECOMMENDATION:

That the information contained in the grant funding report detailing grants applied for, grants announced and grants available be received and noted.

GRANT UPDATEGrant applications submitted in 2023/2024 pending outcomes, period ending the 15th of July 2024.

| Funding Program | Project/Activity | Submission Date | Amount applied for | Council funding required | Anticipated outcome date | Additional comments |
|--|--|------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Regional Precincts and Partnerships Program – Stream 1 Precinct development and planning | The Grand Central Precinct Planning and Design Project - Detailed design for the Grand Hotel, Town Hall Cinema, Brennan Centre, and the streetscapes. Concept design for the library arcade. | Mar-24 | \$3,466,203.00 | - | Jul-24 | |
| Play Our Way Program | Cobar Women's Outdoor Sporting Court Upgrade - upgrade of the outdoor court at Cobar Youth and Community Centre, including a new perimeter fence. | Apr-24 | \$541,794.00 | - | Aug-24 | |
| LGP Procurement Capability Grant Program | Internal audit on procurement and contract management. | Jun-24 | \$20,000.00 | - | Aug-24 | |
| | TOTAL | | \$4,027,997.00 | - | | |

GRANT OUTCOMES

Successful grant applications in 2023/2024.

| Funding Program | Project/Activity | Amount applied for | Council funding required | Completion Date | Project Status |
|---|---|---------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------|---|
| Office for Regional Youth Holiday Break Program | Winter School Holidays 2023. | \$7,000.00 | - | Completed | Completed |
| Strong Start Cadetship program | To contribute to a planning cadets tuition fee for study. | \$25,000.00 | - | Feb-25 | Recruitment for a new employee or interest from an existing employee unsuccessful to date. Received an extension until February 2025. |
| Natural Disaster Recovery Fund | Flood Damage from 14th September 2022 Onwards. (EPA) | \$1,229,886.34 | - | Completed | Completed |
| Western NSW Primary Health Network - Telehealth Support Grant | Installation of equipment at LBV for Telehealth. | \$10,000.00 | - | Completed | Completed |
| Office for Regional Youth Holiday Break Program | Spring School Holidays 2023. | \$7,567.00 | - | Completed | Completed |

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|---|--|----------------|--------------|-----------|---|
| Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Fund Phase 4 | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Lilliane Brady Village Upgrades Stage 1 2. Town Enhancement Program 3. Bore Replacement Program 4. Footpath reinstatement in Marshall Street Cobar | \$1,711,185.00 | | Jun-25 | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Engaged PWA to project manage. Commenced tender documentation preparation for design and construct. 2. Not started, will absorb Phase 3 funding before commencing. 3. 7 tanks have been ordered, 2 have arrived, one placed at Glenwood, and another placed at Tilpa. 3/4 Bores have been drilled at Musheroo, Dunoak and Pine Hill. Hartwood bore to be drilled in the next couple of months. 4. Need to arrange a survey and design to match the footpath in with doorways. Draft scope to be created in line with the CBD Master Plan. |
| Western NSW Local Health District - Supportive Environment Grant | Community Garden at Cobar Youth and Community Centre. | \$5,000.00 | - | Completed | Completed |
| Australia Day 2024 Community Grants | Australia Day 2024 at the Cobar Memorial Swimming Pool. | \$10,000.00 | \$5,000.00 | Completed | Completed |
| Fixing Country Roads Round 6 | Wool Track - Seal extension | \$6,490,000.00 | \$649,000.00 | Aug-26 | Crushing is 70% complete. Carting to start once crushing is finished. |
| Electronic National Residential Medication Chart Adoption Grant Round 2 | Implementation of an eNRMC system at the Lilliane Brady Village Nursing Home. | \$20,000.00 | - | May-25 | Planning stage. |

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|--|---|------------------------|---------------------|-----------|---|
| Office for Regional Youth Holiday Break Program | Summer/Autumn School Holidays 23-24 | \$25,000.00 | - | Completed | Completed |
| Roads to Recovery | Linsley Street Asphalt. | \$1,139,199.00 | - | Jun-24 | Asphalting complete on Linsley Street. Commenced on the Blakey Street end of Barton Street. Barton Street will be completed towards end of the year. Line marking to commence as soon as weather permits. |
| Natural Disaster Recovery Fund | Flood Damage from January 2024 (emergency works) | \$1,000,000.00 | \$46,185.00 | May-24 | Estimate of funding received, No set upper limit expenditure as long as it is eligible, Council will claim. |
| NSW Youth Week 2024 | Youth programs delivered through Youth Week with the intended outcomes being health, wellbeing and creating a sense of belonging. | \$3,412.00 | \$2,588.00 | Completed | Completed |
| Country Passenger Transport Infrastructure Grants Scheme | Lights for Linsley Street Bus Shelter. | \$2,250.00 | - | Apr-26 | Not started |
| Department of Health and Aged Care | Aged care Registered Nurses Payment to reward clinical skills and leadership - Round 2 | \$6,000.00 | - | Completed | Completed |
| Country Arts Support Program 2024 | Community workshop to create mural at Cobar Youth and Community Centre. | \$3,000.00 | - | Dec-24 | To organise workshop date that aligns with Events calendar. |
| Regional Event Fund - incubator stream | Grey Mardi Gra 2024- stage production and security. | \$20,000.00 | - | Jun-25 | Planning stage |
| | TOTAL | \$11,714,499.34 | \$702,773.00 | | |

GRANT OUTCOMES

Successful grant applications in 2022/2023.

| Funding Program | Project/Activity | Amount applied for | Council funding required | Completion Date | Project Status |
|---|---|---------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------|--|
| Reconnecting Regional NSW - Community Events Program | Events to be hosted by CSC including the Running On Empty and Bands in the Bush. | \$119,826.00 | - | Completed | Completed |
| Office for Regional Youth Holiday Break Program | Winter School Holidays 2022. | \$6,190.85 | - | Completed | Completed |
| Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Fund Phase 3 | <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Airport Runway Sealing Upgrade2. Industrial Estate3. Town Beautification4. 99KW Solar Project at the Filtration Plant | \$2,170,422.00 | - | Jun-24 | <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Completed2. Variation submitted to reduce total project cost and include a 5th project of Barton Street upgrade, approval still pending.3. All works other than landscaping at the Youth Centre and instal of bin covers complete.4. Completed |
| Office for Regional Youth Holiday Break Program | Spring School Holidays 2022 | \$6,981.57 | - | Completed | Completed |
| Flood Damage from October 2022 Event - Emergency | Declaration for October 2022 storm event. Emergency works applied for which includes reinstating roads to their pre-storm event condition. | \$3,435,200.43 | - | Completed | Completed |

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|--------------------------------|---|----------------|------------|-----------|---|
| Natural Disaster Recovery Fund | Flood Damage from November 2021 Event. (EPA) | \$2,799,643.47 | - | Completed | Flood event in January 2024 has voided this funding stream. Roads have been damaged again and will be dealt with under a new EPA. |
| Aurelia Community Grant | Sound Equipment for Miners Memorial. | \$1,883.66 | \$1,883.66 | Completed | Completed |
| Australia Day 2023 | Australia Day at the Cobar Memorial Swimming Pool. | \$20,000.00 | \$5,500.00 | Completed | Completed |
| Resource Round 9 for Regions | Booberoi Road Bridge Replacement. | \$2,733,750.00 | - | Dec-25 | Concept designs provided for comment by Council. Working on detailed designs. |
| Resource Round 9 for Regions | Round Hill Road Bridge Replacement. | \$2,733,750.00 | - | Dec-25 | Concept designs provided for comment by Council. Working on detailed designs. |
| Resource Round 9 for Regions | Cobar Footpath connector and DDA project. | \$1,130,622.00 | - | Dec-25 | Contract has been awarded; Cobar footpath works to commence towards the end of 2024. All works to be completed by December 2025. |
| Resource Round 9 for Regions | Cobar Airport Masterplan | \$101,250.00 | - | Dec-25 | Site visit and geotechnical are complete. Expecting draft design and master plan by end of July. |
| Resource Round 9 for Regions | Cobar Early Intervention Program Phase 2. | \$117,000.00 | - | Dec-25 | Needs analysis completed with an internal review planned in July. 12 of the 20 clinical visits completed. |
| Resource Round 9 for Regions | Cobar Museum Phase 2 & 3 Exhibition and object display project. | \$313,875.00 | - | Dec-25 | Variation to be submitted to reduce scope to only exhibition display, no storage. |

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| Resource for Regions Round 9 | Youth Services Program Phase 2. | \$100,000.00 | - | Dec-25 | Delivery and development of programs have commenced. Community event held at the centre with live entertainment occurred in November 2023. Creative arts opportunity to be delivered in April 2024. |
| Office for Regional Youth Holiday Break Program | Summer School Holidays 22-23. | \$15,000.00 | - | Completed | Completed |
| Fixing Local Roads and Pothole Repair Round | Short-term repairs of priority potholes and road repairs on local and regional roads. | \$769,560.72 | - | Completed | Completed |
| Resource for Regions Round 9 | Louth Road Reservoir Asset Renewal. | \$4,031,426.00 | - | Dec-25 | Tender for recoat and repair works prepared. Public Works to manage. |
| Resource for Regions Round 9 | Euabalong Pump Station Disaster Resilience and Safety Upgrades. | \$1,016,051.00 | - | Dec-25 | Undetermined aboriginal land claim on land. PWA engaged to resolve land matters. |
| Stronger Country Communities Fund Round 5 | Euabalong Hall Revitalisation. | \$100,000.00 | - | Jun-24 | Second stage of works in progress. All works other than painting complete. Delays with exterior painting due to moisture on the tin. |
| Stronger Country Communities Fund Round 5 | New LED Lighting at Ward Oval. | \$1,004,703.00 | - | Jun-24 | Light pole installation complete. Lighting controller and final handover scheduled for this fortnight. |
| NSW Women's Week 2023 | Hold a Week of Women Event. | \$5,000.00 | - | Completed | Completed |

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|---|--|----------------|--------------|------------|--|
| NSW Severe Weather & Flood Grant - August/September 2022 - AGRN 1030 & AGRN 1034 - Category D | Euabalong pipeline replacement. | \$1,000,000.00 | - | Dec-24 | Geotechnical studies and survey completed. REF has also been conducted. Full design of the 12km pipeline is completed. In the process of finalising the documentation for the construct only contract. |
| Female Friendly Community Sport Facilities and Lighting Upgrades | Upgrades to the indoor lighting at the Cobar Youth and Community Centre and installation of outside security lighting. | \$50,000.00 | \$12,500.00 | Jun-24 | Indoor lights and outdoor security lights completed. Variation approved to include skylight upgrades to indoor stadium. |
| Fixing Local Roads Round 4 | Seal Extension on Shire Road 20 - Grain Road. | \$3,000,009.00 | \$755,000.00 | Mar-25 | Gravel has been spread. Works to recommence after 52 Mile completed. |
| Regional Emergency Road Repair Fund | Regional Emergency Road Repair Fund | \$9,813,720.00 | - | Oct-27 | Work schedule finalised. Works progressing. |
| Youth Week 2023 | Youth programs delivered during Youth Week. | \$3,313.00 | \$2,513.00 | Completed | Completed |
| Regional Leak Reduction Program Round 2 | Installation of pressure monitoring equipment in Cobar potable water retic. Raw water system flow meters at FBH and Storages on return line. Bulk meter verification and calibration training and equipment. DMA analysis. | \$150,000.00 | \$150,000.00 | Open Ended | PRV and data loggers tested and commissioned. |
| Office for Regional Youth Holiday Break Program | Autumn School Holidays 2023. | \$7,000.00 | - | Completed | Completed |

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|---|---|------------------------|---------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Australian Government - Department of Health and Aged Care | Aged care Registered Nurses Payment to reward clinical skills and leadership - Round 1. | \$25,200.00 | - | Completed | Completed |
| Electronic National Residential Medication Chart Adoption Grant Round 1 | Implementation of an eNRMC system at the Lilliane Brady Village Hostel. | \$22,000.00 | - | Completed | Completed |
| Outback Arts Country Arts Support Program 2023 | Creative art workshop. | \$1,000.00 | - | Completed | Completed |
| | TOTAL | \$36,804,377.70 | \$927,396.66 | | |

GRANT OUTCOMES

Unsuccessful grant applications in 2023/2024.

| Funding Program | Project/Activity | Amount applied for | Council funding required | Further comments |
|--|--|---------------------------|---------------------------------|---|
| Growing Regional Economies Fund | Cobar Caravan Park Upgrades. | \$4,011,149.60 | | NSW Government discontinued program. |
| Infrastructure Betterment Fund | Floodway's on Balewa Road and culvers on Wool Track. | \$4,985,000.00 | - | |
| Regional Event Fund - Flagship | Grey Mardi Gras 2024 – marketing. | \$20,000.00 | - | |
| Seniors Week 2024 | Week for Seniors. | \$6,200.00 | - | The NSW Seniors Festival Grants program is highly competitive. Of the 249 grant applications received this year 47 projects will be funded in 2024. |
| NSW Women's Week 2024 | Weekend of Women event. | \$9,500.00 | - | Program received a larger number of applications. |
| Live Music Australia Program - Round 7 | Bands in the Bush 2024 event. | \$100,000.00 | - | Due to the highly competitive nature of the program, the large volume of submissions and the limited funds available, there were many applications that could not be supported. |

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| NSW Disaster Ready Fund Round 2 - EOI | Sandy creek culverts. | \$780,750.00 | \$780,750.00 | |
| Office for Regional Youth Holiday Break Program | Winter and Spring school holiday activities. | \$15,400.00 | - | Received feedback: maximum funding allocation was reached for that holiday period. Applications were assessed in order of which they were received (otherwise known as a 'first in, first served') basis. |
| Growing Regions Program Round 1 | Cobar Sewer Treatment Plant Upgrade. | \$2,465,400.00 | \$1,056,600.00 | |
| Growing Regions Program Round 1 | Cobar Caravan Park Accommodation Expansion. | \$2,248,829.00 | \$481,892.00 | |
| Aged Care Capital Assistance Program - Thin markets, multiple steams | Staff Accommodation to Service the Lilliane Brady Village. | \$10,500,250.00 | - | 297 applications were submitted in this program worth over \$1 Billion with only \$135 Million made available. This program was significantly competitive, only 13 projects were funded in NSW and there was a total of 76 projects awarded across Australia. |
| Crown Reserves Improvement Fund 2024-25 | Cobar Tennis Court Upgrades. | \$564,874.00 | - | Over 600 applications were submitted in this program, with a total value that is more than 5 times the available funds. Competitive program. |
| Festival Australia Program | Cobar Grey Mardi Gra Festival 2024, creative art workshops. | \$30,846.00 | - | |
| Get NSW Active | Update of the Active Transport Plan. | \$81,600.00 | - | Get NSW Active is a highly competitive program. We received an overwhelming response for the 2024/25 funding round, with 345 projects submitted and a high number of strong applications. |
| | TOTAL | \$21,808,649.00 | \$2,319,242.00 | |

CLAUSE 8 – INVESTMENT REPORT AS OF 30 JUNE 2024**FILE: B2-7****AOP REFERENCE: 3.1.1.7****ATTACHMENT: NO****AUTHOR: Finance Manager, Sandra Davey****Purpose**

Section 625 of the Local Government Act 1993 and Clause 212 of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005 and the Council's investment policy require Council's investments to be reported to the Council monthly.

Issues

The table below shows the balances of Council's Investments as of 30 June 2024. Term deposits have differing terms to spread the maturity dates throughout the year.

| Investments (maturity date) | Rate | Bank | Opening Balance | Transfers to Investment | Transfers from Investment | Interest Earned | Closing Balance |
|-----------------------------|--------------------|--------------|---------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------|---------------------|
| Jun-24 | 5.10% | NAB | \$ 5,128,505 | | \$ 5,128,505 | | \$ - |
| Aug-24 | 5.25% | AMP | \$ 2,092,038 | | | \$ 9,371 | \$ 2,101,410 |
| Nov-24 | 5.05% | AMP | \$ 3,004,151 | | | \$ 12,469 | \$ 3,016,620 |
| Sep-24 | 5.05% | NAB | \$ 5,045,776 | | | \$ 21,549 | \$ 5,067,325 |
| Jul-24 | 5.05% | NAB | \$ 5,063,914 | | | \$ 21,019 | \$ 5,084,933 |
| NAB Sweep Acct | Variable | NAB | \$ 6,156,419 | \$ 17,062,107 | \$ 3,541,155 | \$ 33,553 | \$ 19,710,925 |
| TOTALS | Average Int | 5.10% | \$26,490,804 | \$17,062,107 | \$8,669,660 | \$97,961 | \$34,981,212 |

I hereby certify that the above investments have been made in accordance with Section 625 of the Local Government Act 1993 and Clause 212 of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005 and the Council's Investment Policy.

S Davey

Finance Manager**RECOMMENDATION**

That Council receive and note the Investment Report as of 30 June 2024.

CLAUSE 9 - BANK RECONCILIATION, CASH FLOW & LOAN FACILITY SUMMARIES AS OF 30 JUNE 2024

FILE: B2-7

AOP REFERENCE: 3.1.1.5

ATTACHMENT: NO

AUTHOR: *Finance Manager, Sandra Davey*

Purpose

Council has requested that the following financial information be presented to each meeting of Council: reconciled bank balance, cash flow statement, and loan facility.

Issues

Bank Reconciliation

| | |
|---------------------------------------|---------------|
| Balance as per Bank Statement | 10,000 |
| Add Outstanding Deposits & Receipting | - |
| Less Unpresented Cheques | - |
| Reconciled Balance | 10,000 |

In accordance with the requirements of the Local Government Act, 1993, I hereby certify that the Cash Book has been reconciled with the appropriate Bank Statements daily during the month and that the reconciliations have been recorded.

S. Davey

Finance Manager

Monthly Total Funds Available for the Last 12 Months

| Month | Investment Balances \$'000 | Operating Account \$'000 | Total Available Funds \$'000 | Total Monthly % Change |
|--------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Jun 23 | 39,043 | 10 | 39,053 | 6% |
| Jul 23 | 36,085 | 10 | 36,095 | -7% |
| Aug 23 | 35,685 | 10 | 35,695 | -1% |
| Sep 23 | 33,992 | 10 | 34,002 | -4% |
| Oct 23 | 32,824 | 10 | 32,834 | -3% |
| Nov 23 | 35,463 | 10 | 35,473 | -13% |
| Jan 24 | 31,447 | 10 | 31,457 | -11% |
| Feb 24 | 34,250 | 10 | 34,260 | 8% |
| Mar 24 | 29,244 | 10 | 29,334 | -14% |
| Apr 24 | 28,797 | 10 | 28,807 | -1% |
| May 24 | 26,486 | 10 | 26,496 | -8% |
| Jun-24 | 34,981 | 10 | 34,991 | 32% |

Cash Flow

| June | | Description | Forecast |
|--------------------|------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------|
| Forecast \$'000 | Actual \$'000 | | Next Month \$'000 |
| 10 | 10 | Bank Balance Forward | 10 |
| 8,000 | 7,487 | FAG / R2R / RMCC / TNSW | 1,000 |
| 15 | 15 | Services NSW | 15 |
| 500 | 412 | Rates /Water/User Charges | 500 |
| 200 | 433 | Private Works/Debtors | 200 |
| 450 | 349 | LBV – Residents Fees & Subsidies | 450 |
| 150 | (47) | Children’s Services (net) | 150 |
| 1,500 | (8,392) | Net Movement of Investments | 1,500 |
| 500 | 3,357 | Sundry Income & Grants | 1,000 |
| | | <i>Less</i> | |
| (4,500) | (2,642) | Creditors | (6,000) |
| (750) | (992) | Wages / Salaries | (800) |
| 10 | 10 | Bank Reconciliation Cr/(Dr) | 10 |

Loan Facility Report as of 30 June 2024

| Fund | Purpose | Amount \$'000 | Funding Institute | Period | | Rate | Payable | \$'000 |
|--------------------------------|---------------------------|------------------|--------------------------------|------------|------------|-------|-----------|--------------|
| General Fund | Shire Road Culverts | 2,500 | NAB (business markets loan) | 27/04/2022 | 31/03/2025 | 3.44% | Quarterly | 2,176 |
| Total Principal Balance | | | | | | | | 2,259 |

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receive and note the Bank Reconciliation, Monthly Total Funds Available, Cash Flow and Loan Facility Report as of 30 June 2024.

CLAUSE 10 – RATES RECONCILIATION REPORT AS AT 30 JUNE 2024**FILE: R2-1****AOP REFERENCE: 3.1.1.6****ATTACHMENT: NO****AUTHOR: *Customer Service Manager, Jo-Louise Brown*****Purpose**

To provide Council details of the Rate Reconciliation as at 30 June 2024.

| Rate Type | Levy Plus Arrears | Adjustments | Nett Levy | Cash | Paid-Previous | Outstanding |
|----------------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|
| Cobar Residential | 1,173,878.76 | \$ 58,697.26 | \$ 1,232,576.02 | -998,793.93 | -49,269.24 | 184,512.85 |
| Business | 349,230.30 | 10,902.69 | 360,132.99 | -286,113.57 | -5,341.89 | 68,677.81 |
| Business Cobar CBD | 169,120.91 | 5,469.28 | 174,590.19 | -150,328.11 | -4,979.36 | 19,282.72 |
| Farmland | 858,972.81 | 834.63 | 859,807.44 | -745,904.78 | -6,997.35 | 106,905.31 |
| Mining | 2,030,880.01 | -6,019.20 | 2,024,860.81 | -1,532,723.18 | -39.91 | 492,097.72 |
| Residential Village | 183,926.59 | 0.00 | 183,926.59 | -80,723.95 | -7,123.54 | 96,079.10 |
| Business Village | 80,674.22 | 0.00 | 80,674.22 | -29,549.55 | -548.72 | 50,575.95 |
| Rural Residential | 102,974.16 | 5,019.36 | 107,993.52 | -74,464.89 | -12,681.59 | 20,847.04 |
| Interest | 34,153.34 | 126,405.49 | 160,558.83 | -43,517.20 | 0.00 | 117,041.63 |
| Legal Costs | 0.00 | 10,710.80 | 10,710.80 | -6,497.00 | 0.00 | 4,213.80 |
| Overpayments | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | -181,255.21 | -50,193.15 | -231,448.36 |
| General Rates | 4,983,811.10 | 212,020.31 | 5,195,831.41 | -\$4,129,871.37 | -\$137,174.75 | \$928,785.29 |
| Domestic Waste | 840,210.75 | -1,479.20 | 838,731.55 | -698,883.15 | -30,935.55 | 108,912.85 |
| Cobar Water | 1,810,794.47 | 1,561.33 | 1,812,355.80 | -\$1,565,029.51 | -\$69,476.57 | \$177,849.72 |
| Nymagee Water | \$69,001.97 | -\$980.00 | \$68,021.97 | -\$43,115.63 | -\$360.90 | \$24,545.44 |
| Euabalong Water | \$138,337.44 | -\$980.00 | \$137,357.44 | -\$92,222.91 | -\$12,856.86 | \$32,277.67 |
| Mount Hope Water | \$12,217.79 | \$0.00 | \$12,217.79 | -\$7,107.65 | -\$152.53 | \$4,957.61 |
| Water Access | \$2,030,351.67 | -\$398.67 | \$2,029,953.00 | -\$1,707,475.70 | -\$82,846.86 | \$239,630.44 |
| Sewerage | \$1,244,186.13 | -\$1,674.33 | \$1,242,511.80 | -\$1,046,949.28 | -\$52,545.97 | \$143,016.55 |
| Total Rates & Charges | \$9,098,559.65 | \$208,468.11 | \$9,307,027.76 | -\$7,583,179.50 | -\$303,503.13 | \$1,420,345.13 |
| Water Consumption | \$3,581,572.15 | -\$88,894.26 | \$3,492,677.89 | -\$2,858,508.50 | \$0.00 | \$634,169.39 |

RECOMMENDATION**That the Rates Reconciliation Report as at the 30 June 2024 be received and noted.**

CLAUSE 11 – PURCHASING ANALYSIS OF CONTRACTORS

FILE: T3-15-6

AOP REFERENCE: 3.3.4

ATTACHMENT: NO

AUTHOR: *Finance Manager, Sandra Davey*

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to provide information on works let over \$80,000 inclusive of GST.

Background

Throughout the year Council uses various contractors for the supply of plant and equipment and trades and miscellaneous services for many of Council's activities.

These Contractors and Suppliers are engaged by quotations for small projects and tenders for larger projects following Councils Procurement Policy.

Council has requested that a report be provided for works let over \$80,000 inclusive of GST.

The table below indicates the contractors and suppliers that were engaged for services over \$80,000 inclusive of GST for the period July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2024, and the method of procurement used.

| CONTRACTOR | DESCRIPTION OF WORKS AND METHOD OF PROCUREMENT | TOTAL \$'000 | LOCALITY |
|---|---|---------------------|-----------------|
| STANAWAY PTY LTD T/A DAVID PAYNE CONSTRUCTION | WARD OVAL CONSTRUCTION (TENDER) | 7,872 | NON LOCAL |
| COUNTRY WIDE ASPHALT PTY LTD | ROAD WORKS (TENDER) | 5,321 | NON LOCAL |
| CRUSHRITE PTY LTD | GRAVEL CRUSHING (TENDER) | 4,266 | NON LOCAL |
| DAVID PAYNE CONSTRUCTION | WARD OVAL CONSTRUCTION (TENDER) | 3,152 | NON LOCAL |
| NICHOLSONS OF NYMAGEE | ROAD WORKS (RFQ) | 1,920 | LOCAL |
| THE STABILISING PTY LTD | RMS CONTRACT (RFQ) | 1,558 | NON LOCAL |
| DEPELER EARTHMOVING | PLANT HIRE (TENDER) | 1,056 | LOCAL |
| JONESYS EARTHWORXS PTY LTD | ROAD WORKS (RFQ) | 1,024 | NON LOCAL |
| BROUGHTON CONTRACTING PTY LTD T/A BROUGHTON F | PLANT HIRE (TENDER) | 919 | LOCAL |
| ENABLEU HEALTH SOLUTIONS PTY LTD | CONSULTANT SERVICES (RFQ) | 869 | NON LOCAL |
| CYNEND | CONSTRUCTION WORK (TENDER/RFQ) | 851 | NON LOCAL |
| CRANFIELD MEDICAL & HEALTHCARE PTY LTD | LABOUR HIRE (RFQ) | 778 | NON LOCAL |
| REDSTONE NURSING PTY LTD | LABOUR HIRE (RFQ) | 744 | NON LOCAL |
| NSW PUBLIC WORKS | GOVERNMENT CONSULTING SERVICES (GOV) | 734 | NON LOCAL |
| AS PER PLAN CONSTRUCTION | CONSTRUCTION WORK (TENDER/RFQ) | 703 | LOCAL |
| CASTLYN PTY LTD T/A INLAND PETROLEUM | FUEL (TENDER) | 621 | NON LOCAL |
| JLE ELECTRICAL | TRADE SERVICES (RFQ) | 560 | NON LOCAL |
| TRONIC GROUP PTY LTD | IT SERVICES (RFQ) | 556 | LOCAL |
| NOMES CUSTOM CLEANING | CLEANING SERVICES (RFQ) | 533 | LOCAL |
| DUNN & HILLAM ARCHITECTS | VARIOUS PROJECTS (YOUTH CENTRE, EARLY LEARNING CENTRE) (QUOTES) | 530 | NON LOCAL |
| MIDLAND PTY LTD | PLANT PURCHASE (RFQ) | 505 | NON LOCAL |
| SUPERIOR PAK PTY LTD | PLANT PURCHASE (TENDER) | 475 | NON LOCAL |

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| COUNTRY MILE CONSTRUCTIONS | CONSTRUCTION WORK (RFQ) | 471 | LOCAL |
| VININDEX PTY LTD | STORMWATER PIPES (TENDER) | 411 | NON LOCAL |
| DAMAGE CONTROL PROJECT MANAGEMENT PTY LTD | LABOUR HIRE (RFQ) | 389 | NON LOCAL |
| REES ELECTRICAL PTY LTD | WARD OVAL LIGHTING UPGRADE (TENDER) | 343 | NON LOCAL |
| HOLCIM (AUSTRALIA) PTY LTD | CULVERTS (TENDER) | 334 | NON LOCAL |
| WESTRAC PTY LTD | PLANT PURCHASE (TENDER) | 316 | LOCAL |
| ORION CONSULTING ENGINEERS PTY LTD | PROJECT MANAGEMENT (RFQ) | 313 | NON LOCAL |
| I J CHASE GRADER CONTRACTING | PLANT HIRE (TENDER) | 298 | LOCAL |
| SMART COMMERCIAL SOLAR PTY LTD | WTP SOLAR | 297 | NON LOCAL |
| BOB BRUCE EARTHWORKS PTY LTD | PLANT HIRE (TENDER) | 294 | LOCAL |
| LEISURE & RECREATION GROUP PTY LTD | POOL MANAGEMENT (TENDER) | 292 | NON LOCAL |
| JNJ CONTRACTING PTY LTD | PLANT HIRE (RFQ) | 283 | LOCAL |
| 360 ENGINEERING PTY LTD | CONSULTANT SERVICES (RFQ) | 282 | NON LOCAL |
| LOCAL GOVERNMENT APPOINTMENTS | LABOUR HIRE (RFQ) | 282 | NON LOCAL |
| CADIA GROUP PTY LTD | WATER AND SEWER (TENDER) | 269 | NON LOCAL |
| PPT INVESTMENTS T/A KLOSTER FORD | PLANT PURCHASE (RFQ) | 268 | NON LOCAL |
| ROAD CARE AUSTRALIA PTY LTD | ROAD WORKS (RFQ) | 259 | NON LOCAL |
| COBAR STEEL PTY LTD | TRADE SERVICES (RFQ) | 258 | LOCAL |
| PARKES AUTOMOTIVE GROUP PTY LTD | PLANT PURCHASE (RFQ) | 248 | NON LOCAL |
| ROLLERS AUSTRALIA PTY LTD | PLANT HIRE (TENDER) | 241 | NON LOCAL |
| ORANA MOTOR GROUP PTY LTD T/A SAINSBURY AUTOM | PLANT PURCHASE (RFQ) | 224 | NON LOCAL |
| COLLAR TALENT GROUP PTY LTD | LABOUR HIRE (RFQ) | 221 | NON LOCAL |
| ACCESS ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING PTY LTD | BORE LICENCING | 213 | NON LOCAL |
| REDOX LTD | CHEMICALS | 200 | NON LOCAL |
| AUSROAD PLANT SERVICES PTY LTD | LABOUR HIRE (RFQ) | 190 | NON LOCAL |
| TREE OF US TREE SERVICES | TREE SERVICES (TENDER) | 172 | NON LOCAL |
| KENWAY AND CLARK GUNNEDAH PTY LTD | PLANT PURCHASE (RFQ) | 161 | NON LOCAL |
| WATSON DRILLING | BORE DRILLING (RFQ) | 148 | NON LOCAL |
| JR MAY EARTHMOVING PTY LTD | PLANT HIRE (TENDER) | 143 | LOCAL |
| MIKE BREARLEY & ASSOCIATES PTY LTD | CONSULTANT SERVICES (RFQ) | 141 | NON LOCAL |
| COPPER CITY TYRE SERVICE | TYRE SERVICES (RFQ) | 130 | LOCAL |
| KILLARD INFRASTRUCTURE PTY LTD | RETICULATION UPGRADE (TENDER) | 129 | NON LOCAL |
| JUSTIN NEGUS ELECTRICAL | LABOUR HIRE (RFQ) | 128 | LOCAL |
| MAGIQ SOFTWARE LTD | ERP SOFTWARE (TENDER) | 127 | NON LOCAL |
| KML INDUSTRIES PTY LTD | TRADES SERVICE/HARDWARE | 120 | LOCAL |
| BARRIER SIGNS PTY LIMITED | SIGNS (TENDER) | 119 | NON LOCAL |
| KALLARA PARTNERS | PLANT HIRE (TENDER) | 115 | LOCAL |
| PPT INVESTMENTS PTY LTD | PLANT PURCHASE (RFQ) | 115 | NON LOCAL |
| TILT AUTOMOTIVE PTY LTD | TRADE SERVICES (RFQ) | 115 | LOCAL |
| DELNORTH PTY LTD | SIGNS (TENDER) | 113 | NON LOCAL |
| AQUA IRRIGATION HOLDINGS PTY LTD | WARD OVAL IRRIGATION (RFQ) | 107 | NON LOCAL |
| VALLEY OUTDOORS SCONE | PLANT PURCHASE (RFQ) | 105 | NON LOCAL |
| DOWNER EDI WORKS | ROAD WORKS (TENDER) | 103 | NON LOCAL |
| BETTERAIM | CONSULTANT SERVICES (RFQ) | 101 | NON LOCAL |
| SITECH SOLUTIONS PTY LTD | PLANT HIRE (TENDER) | 101 | NON LOCAL |
| PAGNELL ASSOCIATES PTY LTD T/A GEOSECURE | PLANT PURCHASE (RFQ) | 97 | NON LOCAL |

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| FLIP SCREEN AUSTRALIA PTY LTD | PLANT PURCHASE (RFQ) | 97 | NON LOCAL |
| MINSTAFF SURVEY PTY LTD | SURVEY (RFQ) | 94 | NON LOCAL |
| KPMG AUSTRALIA | CONSULTANT SERVICES (RFQ) | 94 | NON LOCAL |
| EVOLUTION MECHANICAL REPAIRS PTY LTD | MECHANICAL REPAIRS (RFQ) | 93 | LOCAL |
| ZONDA PEOPLE HEALTHCARE RECRUITMENT | LABOUR HIRE (RFQ) | 93 | NON LOCAL |
| LIGHTWELL GROUP PTY LTD | MUSEUM UPGRADE (RFQ) | 92 | NON LOCAL |
| BITUPAVE LTD T/A BORAL ASPHALT | ROAD WORKS (RFQ) | 91 | NON LOCAL |
| MCINTOSH FENCING PTY LTD | RMS CONTRACT (RFQ) | 90 | NON LOCAL |
| TRANSPORT FOR NSW | ROAD WORKS (RFQ) | 85 | NON LOCAL |
| COBAR POWERHOUSE | ELECTRICAL PARTS (RFQ) | 83 | LOCAL |
| J. BLACKWOOD & SON PTY LTD | PARTS (RFQ) | 81 | NON LOCAL |
| | TOTAL | | |
| | \$'000 | | |
| LOCAL SUPPLIERS | \$8,532 | | |
| NON-LOCAL SUPPLIERS | \$37,789 | | |
| TOTAL PURCHASES OVER \$80K 2023/2024 | \$46,321 | | |

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receive and note the information contained in this report.

CLAUSE 12- TOURISM & EVENTS UPDATE REPORT

FILE: M5-1 & T4-1 AOP REFERENCE: 2.2.1.1 ATTACHMENT: YES (PAGE 111-115)

AUTHOR: *Tourism Manager, Demi Smith*

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to provide Council with an update on Tourism, Events and the tourism teams activities carried out from January – June 2024.

Background

This report provides a update to Council as a status and activity report for January – June 2024 in relation to Tourism, Events and Projects carried out by the Tourism team at Cobar Shire Council.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives and notes the information contained within this report.

**CLAUSE 13 – ROAD CAPITAL AND MAINTENANCE WORKS PROGRAM
2024/2025**

FILE: R5-15 & R5-16 AOP REFERENCE: 4.3.1 ATTACHMENT: NO

AUTHOR: *Works Manager, Kane Kreeck*

Purpose

To confirm the Road Capital and Maintenance Works Program for 2024/2025.

Background

As part of the 2024/2025 Annual Budget process, council and external funding bodies have approved the following funding for works on Regional Roads, Local Roads and Urban Streets.

Regional Roads

Regional Roads – Maintenance * \$1,948,481

Shire Roads

Shire Roads – Operational – Maintenance \$2,105,099

Shire Roads - Gravel Re-sheeting – Capital \$200,000

Shire Roads – Reseals – Capital \$200,000

External Funding

Roads to Recovery (R2R) – Capital \$1,410,779

Resources for Regions - *Multiyear funding* \$11,823,807

RERRF – *Multiyear Funding* \$4,124,461

EPA Flood Damage \$1,682,916

Fixing Local Roads (FLR) *Multiyear Funding* \$1,812,055

Fixing Country Roads (FCR) – *Multiyear Funding* \$6,407,266

RMCC Works Orders \$2,000,000

External Funding

Roads to Recovery (R2R)

Roads to Recovery has commenced a new five-year rolling funding period. The total allocation over the five years is \$9,549,888, as follows:

- 2024-25 - \$1,410,779
- 2025-26 - \$1,736,343
- 2026-27 - \$2,061,908
- 2027-28 - \$2,170,429
- 2028-29 - \$2,170,429

Roads to Recovery 2024–25 allocation (\$1,410,779), is to be used for asphaltting Stage 1, of the current Industrial Estate Drainage Upgrade project. This will ensure that new pavement works are completed to compliment the new drainage network and curb and gutter. The asphaltting will include the full length of Campbell Street and a small portion of Old Bourke Road from Campbell Street intersection to the Barrier Highway.

Resources for Regions

Resources for Regions (R4R) is a multiyear funding allocation that has now ceased with no new funding being offered from 2024-25 onward. Council has locked away funding from previous rounds of allocations, and as such, road capital projects from this funding, either fully or partly funded by R4R in 2024-25 include,

- Footpath Replacement Program (\$1,004,796)
- Euabalong Bridge Replacements (Design) (\$5,313,148)
- Industrial Estate Upgrade (\$5,505,863)

These three projects went out for tender and have been successfully awarded with works already commenced or about to commence.

Regional Emergency Road Repair Fund (RERRF)

This is a multi-year funding source which finishes in 2027. Projects currently funded by RERRF include:

- Barton Street Asphaltting
- Gravelling on Fifty-Two Mile Road in preparation for sealing
- Gravelling on Wool Track for seal extension
- Various maintenance works on local and regional roads

Essential Public Assets (EPA)

This is flood damage funding which enables council to reinstate damage roads to prior conditions before the flood event.

EPA funding is still awaiting finalization, but the repair amount for reconstruction calculated and submitted to TfNSW for approval is \$1,682,916.

Council should obtain approval from TfNSW in the coming weeks.

Fixing Local Roads (FLR)

Fixing Local Roads funding no longer exists from 2024-25 onward. However, Council is fortunate to retain carry over funding to complete the Grain Road Seal Extension Project. The amount remaining is \$1,812,055. Weather permitting, works are scheduled for completion around October 2025.

Fixing Country Roads (FCR)

Fixing Country Roads is a multiyear funding stream which council received for the 40km seal extension on the Wool Track. The funding component from FCR that council received for this upgrade is \$6,407,266. The remaining funding will come from RERRF.

FCR funding cease to exit and will no longer be available as a funding source for regional development from 2024-25 onward.

RMCC Work Orders

This funding is directly from TfNSW and allows council to do heavy patching and resealing on our state highway network. The budget for this year's program is in the vicinity of \$2,000,000. This is considerably less than previous years.

Capital Projects

The following list of projects are expected to be completed in the 2024-25 financial year. Those projects not on the list below will be completed in 2025-26.

2024/25 Program

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|-------------------------------------|-------------|
| ▪ Footpath Replacement Program | \$1,004,796 |
| ▪ Grain Road | \$2,373,223 |
| ▪ Shire Wide Culverts | \$245,077 |
| ▪ Fifty Mile Road Seal Extension | \$1,381,893 |
| ▪ Industrial Estate Upgrade Stage 1 | \$5,763,465 |
| ▪ Booberoi Bridge – 1 of 2 Bridges | \$2,730,327 |
| ▪ RMCC | \$2,000,000 |

Total **\$15,498,781**

Shire Roads Gravel Re-Sheeting

We propose to spend the shire roads gravel re-sheeting funding on local roads that require gravel re-sheeting prioritised based on condition and risk.

Shire Roads Reseals

We propose to spend the shire road reseal budget resealing a section of Wilga Downs Road on the original seal which is now deteriorating.

RECOMMENDATION

- 1. That Council**
 - a. note the Road Capital and Maintenance Works Program for 2024/2025**
 - b. receive a further update on any changes to the budgets and grant funding arrangements.**

CLAUSE 14 – ENGINEERING WORKS REPORT

FILE: C6-20-2

AOP REFERENCE: 4.3.2

ATTACHMENT: NO

AUTHOR: *Director Engineering Services – Heinz Kausche*

Purpose

To provide Council with an update of works up to 30 June 2024.

Background

State Highways

Completed Works

- Kidman Way South resealing complete.
- Culvert inspections complete for the current financial year.

Major Maintenance Work - Ongoing

- Pothole patching and sign maintenance of highway network ongoing.
- Roadside slashing underway.

Construction Work

- Heavy patching of causeways on Barrier Hwy delayed due to wet weather.
- Additional segments on Kidman Way South delayed due to wet weather.
- Preliminary works commenced on upgrade of the Gilgunnia Rest Area

Urban Roads/Shire Roads/Regional Roads

Completed Works

- Linsley Street –Asphalt overlay works completed. Completion of line marking subject to favorable weather.

Major Maintenance and Construction Work - Ongoing

- Sealing of 20km long section of 52 Mile Road continuing.
- Shire Wide Culverts Program ongoing, approximately 80% complete.
- Cobar Industrial Estate Road and Stormwater upgrades - onsite works continuing including the reforming the swale drains and construction of the culverts.
- Barton Street –Asphalt overlay works scheduled for completion in September.
- Fixing Country Roads Round 4 – works continuing on extracting and crushing gravel for the 40km seal extension of the Wool Track.
- Regional Emergency Road Repairs Fund –works program finalised and submitted to the Department. Includes regional road maintenance and renewals, Wool Track and urban asphalt overlays.

Cobar Airport

- Installation of new automated sliding main gate completed.
- Development of new Airport Masterplan underway. Site visit and Geotech completed. User group meeting to review the draft Masterplan completed.

Flood Damage

- Works completed on the Restoration of Essential Public Assets funded through the Natural Disaster Funding Arrangements in response to the November 2022 flood event.
- Emergency Works following the January 2024 flood event completed on various roads across the LGA.
- Full assessment of the damages and associated costs for flood restoration works following the January 2024 flood completed. Approvals for undertaking restoration works currently being confirmed.

Asset and Fleet Management

- Review of processes for monitoring plant and service requirements underway.

Water and Sewer

- Nyngan, Hermidale, and Cobar Pump Station Upgrade Project – tender for the Nyngan and Hemidale pump stations to be awarded.
- Development of the Integrated Water Cycle Management (IWCM) Strategy continuing. The strategy is intended to provide Cobar with a 30-year strategy for the provision of appropriate, affordable, cost-effective and sustainable urban water services that meets community needs and protects public health and the environment.
- Multiple water and sewer improvement projects continuing including upgrades to the Fort Burke Balance Tank, water reticulation network and associated infrastructure.

Water Storage Level Updates

- Cobar Water Storages are currently at 65% full (combined).
- Burrendong Dam is currently at 64% full.
- Level 1 water restrictions are normally triggered when the water level of the Burrendong Dam reaches 20%
- Level 5 water restrictions are triggered when the when the water level of the Burrendong Dam reaches 1% and the Cobar storages drop below 20%

Drought Triggers

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| Level | | Cobar, Canbelego, Euabalong, Euabalong West, Mount Hope and Nymagee |
| Be Water Wise | 1 | To protect and secure our water supply |
| High | 2 | 10 |
| Very High | 3 | 5 |
| Severe | 4 | 2.5. |
| Emergency | 5 | 1%. Also applied when the effective storage percentage of the combined Cobar storages drops below 20% . |

Demand Targets

| Usage Type | 1 Be Water Wise | 2 High | 3 Very High | 4 Severe | EMERGENCY |
|-----------------------------|---|---|---|---|--------------------------------|
| Target Water Consumption | 240L/ day/person 10% reduction | 210L/ day/ person 20% reduction | 180L/ day/ person 30% reduction | 150L/ day/person 40% reduction | 120L/day/person 55% percent |

RECOMMENDATION

That the information contained in the Engineering Works Report detailing construction and maintenance activities on Shire and Regional Roads, State Highways, Water and Sewer Mains and other Council assets be received and noted.

CLAUSE 15 – EXPENDITURE FOR ROADS NETWORK

FILE: R5-31 AOP REFERENCE: 4.3.2 ATTACHMENT: YES (PAGE 116-126)

AUTHOR: Acting *Director of Engineering, Heinz Kausche*

Purpose

To Provide Council with financial information on the expenditure on Council's Local and Regional Roads.

Background

A report detailing the Expenditure on Capital/R2R (orange), Council's Shire Local Roads (blue), Regional Roads Network (green) and Flood Damage Claim (Grey) is provided as an attachment for Council's information.

RECOMMENDATION

That the information detailing the Expenditure for Council's Roads Network be received and noted.

CLAUSE 16 – DEVELOPMENT APPROVALS: 19 JUNE 2024 – 30 JUNE 2024
FILE: T5-1 AOP REFERENCE: 1.6.3.1 ATTACHMENT: NO
AUTHOR: Director of Planning & Environmental Services, Garry Ryman

Complying Development Approvals

There were no Complying Development Certificates approved under delegated authority for the period 19 June 2024 – 30 June 2024.

The value of Complying Development approvals for 2023/2024 to date is \$60,000.00
The value of Complying Development approvals for the similar period in 2022/2023 was **21,000.00**

Local Development Approvals

The following Local Development Applications were approved under delegated authority for the period 19 June 2024 – 30 June 2024.

| CERTIFICATE NO. | ADDRESS | DESCRIPTION | VALUE (\$) |
|------------------------|-----------------------|---|-------------------|
| DA24/015 | 75 Monaghan St, Cobar | Alterations & Additions to Existing Dwelling and Detached Metal Carport | 55,000 |
| DA24/022 | 277 Lerida Rd, Cobar | Verandah Addition | 30,000 |

The value of Local Development approvals for 2023/2024 to date is \$ \$49,836,877.42
The value of Local Development approvals for the similar period in 2022/2023 was **\$118,063,119.20**

Construction Certificates

The following Construction Certificates were issued for the period 19 June 2024 – 30 June 2024.

| CERTIFICATE NO. | ADDRESS | DESCRIPTION |
|------------------------|-----------------------|---|
| CC24/014 | 75 Monaghan St, Cobar | Alterations & Additions to Existing Dwelling and Detached Metal Carport |
| CC24/011 | 6 Linsley St, Cobar | Dwelling, Detached Metal Shed, Attached Verandah & Fence |

RECOMMENDATION

That the information detailing the Local Development and Construction Certificate approvals for the period 19 June 2024 – 30 June 2024 be received and noted.

CLAUSE 17 – DEVELOPMENT APPROVALS: 1 JULY 2024 – 16 JULY 2024
FILE: T5-1 AOP REFERENCE: 1.6.3.1 ATTACHMENT: NO
AUTHOR: Director of Planning & Environmental Services, Garry Ryman

Complying Development Approvals

There were no Complying Development Certificates approved under delegated authority for the period 1 July 2024 – 16 July 2024.

The value of Complying Development approvals for 2024/2025 to date is Nil.
The value of Complying Development approvals for the similar period in 2023/2024 was **Nil**.

Local Development Approvals

The following Local Development Applications were approved under delegated authority for the period 1 July 2024 – 16 July 2024.

| CERTIFICATE NO. | ADDRESS | DESCRIPTION | VALUE (\$) |
|------------------------|--------------------------|---|-------------------|
| DA24/024 | 55 Elizabeth Cres, Cobar | Demolition of Existing Building and Construction of New Detached Metal Shed | 49,170 |

The value of Local Development approvals for 2024/2025 to date is \$49,170.00
The value of Local Development approvals for the similar period in 2023/2024 was **\$57,750.00**

Construction Certificates

The following Construction Certificates were issued for the period 1 July 2024 – 16 July 2024.

| CERTIFICATE NO. | ADDRESS | DESCRIPTION |
|------------------------|--------------------------|--|
| CC24/007 | 353 Burthong Rd, Nymagee | Switchroom; Primary Ventilation Fan; Access Structures on Ventilation Fans |
| CC23/025 | 4 Lewis St, Cobar | Detached Metal Shed |

RECOMMENDATION

That the information detailing the Local Development and Construction Certificate approvals for the period 1 July 2024 – 16 July 2024 be received and noted.



ATTACHMENTS

ORDINARY MEETING AGENDA

THURSDAY, 25 JULY 2024

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